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In re Application of:

TETSUYA YANO

Application No.: 09/430,029

Filed: October 29, 1999

For: DNA FRAGMENT CARRYING TOLUENE
MONOOXYGENASE GENE, RECOMBINANT
PLASMID, TRANSFORMED MICROORGANISM,
METHOD FOR DEGRADING CHLORINATED
ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON COMPOUNDS
AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS, AND
METHOD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
REMEDiation

Docket No.

03500.013982.

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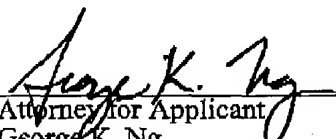
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Respectfully submitted,



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In response to the final Office Action dated May 19, 2004, please amend the
above-identified application as follows.